

**Wheatland City Council Proceedings
February 13, 2023**

Mayor Wiese called the regular meeting of the Wheatland City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. with council members Houzenga, Grau, Hicks and Heileman present.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the January 9th meeting, Clerk's Financial Report and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting:

941 Tax – 3,427.48, IPERS – 2,401.15, State w/h – 573.78, State Sales & excise tax – 586.40, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, Matt Cavey policy – 2,711.00, Alliant Energy, utilities – 7,755.66, Card Center, tools/supplies maintenance 916.50, postage – 290.75 Observer, publications – 178.89, Pine Hill Cemetery, annual donation – 700.00, St. Paul Cemetery, annual donation – 700.00 Maguire Iron, water tower maintenance – 1,914.75

Bills payable for Meeting:

Baker & Taylor, books – 225.20, Card Center, fuel – 66.50, postage Utility bills – 143.44, Clinton County Sheriff's Office, monthly contract – 1,529.08, F & B Communications, internet & phone service – 405.87, Fire Text Response, LLC, new computer – 850.00 First Trust & Savings Bank, recycling truck payment – 1,289.30, Getz Fire Equipment, portable extinguisher certification – 454.38 Hach, water supplies – 661.80, Hawkins, chemical – 40.00, Iowa One Call, locates – 6.30, John Deere, maintenance supplies – 37.46 J & R Supply, curb box – 395.00, Keystone Labs, water testing – 49.00, Micro Marketing, books – 77.88, MSA Professional Services, polishing pond project – 6,120.00, Observer, publications – 174.15, Randy Bertling, clean city hall – 40.00, RVH, fuel – 657.47, Sandry Fire, test regulator – 820.50, Spahn & Rose, library – 47.82, Speer Financial, polishing pond – 4,000.00, Staples, printer – 659.99, USA Blue Book, water supplies – 403.93, WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee – 2,900.00, Wheatland Wire, Library, Fire & City publications – 85.00, Wheatland EMS, stipend – 30,000.00

Gross Wages:

\$15,519.78

Revenues:

General Fund – 18,371.21 Employee Benefits – 55.46 Road Use – 7,675.67 Water – 11,353.72 Sewer – 19,105.35 Garbage – 4,232.55 Recycling – 1,096.77 **Total Revenues – 61,590.73**

Expenses:

General Fund – 19,519.99 Employee Benefits – 1,806.09 Road Use – 7,026.65 Water – 7,727.45 Sewer – 5,995.61 Garbage – 3,734.43 Recycling – 2,123.60 **Total Expenses – 47,934.32**

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Grau with a second by Houzenga. All ayes.

Public Forum – No oral or written comments were made.

ECIA, Rita Hart and Lance Goettsch were present to discuss downtown revitalization with the Council. Matt Specht of ECIA noted that the city would need a minimum of 6 businesses to participate, a 40% to 50% match from either the business owners or the city which could be comprised of combination of both would be required. Hart noted that JR's Place and Petersen Insurance were open to the project. Virgil Noel of Wheatland repair was also present but gave no indication if he is interested.

A motion to approve the estimate from JJJ Enterprises for \$19,305.00 to assist with installation of the new water meters was made by Heileman with a second by Grau. All ayes.

A motion to approve the contract for the 2024 fiscal year with the Clinton County Sherriff Office at a rate of \$1,600.20 per month was made by Houzenga with a second by Grau. All ayes.

A motion to approve the 3rd reading of ordinance 200-23 which is for raising the sewer construction rate to \$45.00 per month was made by Grau with a second by Hicks. All ayes.

A motion to approve resolution 2023 – 16 which is for a one time stipend to the Wheatland Emergency Medical Services of \$30,000.00 was made by Houzenga with a second by Hicks. Ayes – Hicks, Houzenga & Heileman. Abstain – Grau – Stankee was not present for the vote.

A motion to approve participation in the new IDOT annual all systems overweight permit was made by Hicks with a second by Grau. All ayes.

A motion to approve resolution 2023 – 17 which is for support for RCTP grant application was made by Heileman with a second by Grau. All ayes.

A motion to approve resolution 2023 – 18 which is for the established 3 yr plan and project priorities in regards to the RCTP grant was made by Grau with a second by Hicks. All ayes.

Stankee joined the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

The remainder of the meeting was used to discuss the 2024 budget.

At 7:15 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Houzenga with a second by Grau. All ayes.

Jeremiah Wiese - Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk